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Dear Health Care Providers:

COVID-19 Vaccine: Prioritization of Moderna/Spikevax™ Infant Pediatric for second doses and primary series of immunocompromised children aged 6 months to ≤ 4 years

Manitoba received a limited supply of the Moderna/Spikevax[™] infant pediatric COVID-19 vaccine (25 mcg) since its approval in July 2022 and will not be receiving further shipments from our federal partners.

Please be advised that the Moderna/Spikevax[™] infant pediatric (25 mcg) vaccine should now be prioritized to complete the primary series for infants and children who have already started with Moderna/Spikevax[™] infant pediatric (25 mcg) vaccine or to initiate a primary series for those who are moderately to severely immunocompromised.

Infants aged 6 months to 4 years who are starting their primary series and are immunocompetent should be offered the Pfizer/Comirnaty[™] (3 mcg) COVID-19 vaccine.

This transition is to ensure that we have enough supply of the Moderna/Spikevax[™] infant pediatric (25 mcg) vaccine for those who need it and is consistent with the National Advisory Committee on Immunizations' strong recommendation to preferentially offer the Moderna/Spikevax[™] vaccine for infants and children who are moderately to severely immunocompromised.

Please share this information with all relevant colleagues in your facility/clinic.

Sincerely,

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